

The **BIRTHDAY PARTY** by Harold Pinter



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U-M School of Music
Department of Theatre and Drama

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Director: Vladimir Mirzoev

Choreographer: Kim Frank

Costume & Scenic Designer: Francesca Callow

Lighting Designer: Gaetane Bertol

Stage Manager: Joe Gold

Cast

Pete	.....	H. Terry Snowday III
Meg	.....	Christine Fenno
Stanley	.....	Jeffry Max Nicholls
Lulu	.....	Tamlyn Shusterman
Goldberg	.....	Erich J. Jungwirth
McCann	.....	Mason Haber
Chorus	.....	Anthony Giangrande
	.....	Cecilia T. Grinwald
	.....	Sarah Hauck
	.....	Elizabeth Keiser
	.....	Ben Morgenstein
	.....	Steven O'Berski
	.....	Lauren Odar
	.....	Danielle Quisenberry

A beachfront boarding house

Act I Summer

Act II Fall

Act III Winter

There will be two intermissions.

Unauthorized use of cameras or recording devices in this theatre is strictly forbidden. In everyone's interest, latecomers will be seated by the house manager at a suitable break or scene change.

Produced by special arrangement with Samuel French, Inc.

ABOUT THE PLAYWRIGHT

Harold Pinter (b. 1930) is an English actor and dramatist. The only child of a Portuguese-Jewish tailor, Pinter was born in East London. He left the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art after his first year to join a repertory company. Twice he declined the call for National Service and was tried and fined both times. In addition to acting and producing poems and prose, Pinter has written and directed dramas for television, radio and the stage, and has even worked on a novel. His dramas are often labeled a "comedy of menace" because of the absurd manner of terror that they evoke. Other plays written by Pinter include *The Room*, *A Night Out*, *The Dwarfs*, and *The Homecoming*.

About the Artists

Gaetane Bertol (*Lighting Designer*)

- Third year graduate student in design
- Scenic/costume designer, *Ties That Bind*, Purple Rose Theatre
- Set designer, *Marat/Sade*, Dept. of Theatre and Drama
- Set designer, *Pelleas and Melisande*, Dept. of Theatre and Drama

Francesca Callow (*Costume and Scenic Designer*)

- Second year graduate student in design
- Scenic/costume designer, *The Tempest*, *Much Ado About Nothing*, Montreal Shakespeare Festival
- Set designer, *Killing Game*, D. B. Clarke Theatre
- Assistant costume designer, *Raft of the Medusa*, Minetta Lane Theatre

Kim Frank (*Choreographer*)

- *Willy* (original work), The Canada Dance Festival
- *The Blind Men...*, Horizontal 8 Theatre Company, Edinborough Fringe Festival
- *Caligula*, Horizontal 8 Theatre Company, Toronto

Vladimir Mirzoev (*Director*)

- *Miss Julie*, Yaroslavl Theatre Festival, Moscow
- Founder, *The Horizontal Eight Theatre Company*, Toronto
- *Caligula* and *The Possibilities*, Horizontal Eight Theatre Company, Toronto

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About the Cast

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Anthony Giangrande (Chorus) Theatre - senior - Grand Rapids, MI
Cecilia T. Grinwald (Chorus) Theatre - sophomore - Big Bend, WI
Mason Haber (McCann) Theatre/Comp Lit - junior - Bloomfield Hills, MI
Sarah Hauck (Chorus) Theatre - senior - Kalamazoo, MI
Erich J. Jungwirth (Goldberg) Theatre - senior - Birmingham, MI
Elizabeth Keiser (Chorus) Theatre - senior - Parchment, MI
Ben Morgenstein (Chorus) English/Psychology - senior - Traverse City, MI
Jeffry Max Nicholls (Stanley) Toronto, Canada
Steven O'Berski (Chorus) junior - Goodrich, MI
Lauren Odar (Chorus) Theatre/Accounting- senior - Galesburg, MI
Danielle Quisenberry (Chorus) Theatre - junior - Owensboro, KY
Tamlyn Shusterman (Lulu) Musical Theatre - junior - Berwyn, PA
H. Terry Snowday III (Pete) Theatre/English - senior- Traverse City, MI

The performers in this production are composed of undergraduate students in the Department of Theatre and Drama, which is a department of the School of Music. Scenery, costumes, properties, and lighting were created by students and the staff of University Productions, the producing unit of the School of Music.

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Assistant Stage Manager: Coleen

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